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Crawford W. Long's American ancestry dates back to 1762, when his great-grandfather emigrated from Ireland and came to Pennsylvania. Captain Samuel Long, grandfather of the subject of this sketch, settled in Georgia in 1792. Crawford W. Long, son of James and Elizabeth (Ware) Long, was born at Danielsville, Ga., November 1, 1815. He received his academic education in Franklin College, Athens, Ga., and studied at Transylvania University, Lexington, Ky., in 1836, and thereafter in the Medical Department of the University of Pennsylvania, graduating in 1839. After gaining experience in New York hospitals, Dr. Long returned to Georgia and began his practice of medicine and surgery in Jefferson. It was here, on March 30, 1842, that he performed the first surgical operation under a general anesthesia, using ether. While Dr. Long was a physician he conducted a drug store for many years and devoted himself to the interests of pharmacy. In 1851 he removed to Athens, Ga., where he practiced medicine until the year of his death, 1878.

To this great man's credit be it said that he sought no other reward than acknowledgment of priority as discoverer of ether-anesthesia and the service rendered thereby to humanity.   E. G. E.